

LOCAL ITEMS AND CITY NEWS

Gleaned From Various Sources and Condensed.

The boy, precocious beyond his years, said: "Don't cry; don't cry; thwear; they dawn it."

S. C. Norton left this week for Toledo, Lincoln county, Oregon, to look after land interests he has there.

J. H. Black, a builder of St. Johns, is building a summer residence for Donald McKay at Hood River.

Mrs. James Tufts left Tuesday for her former home at Algomid, Wis. She will return to St. Johns in a few weeks.

N. A. Gee, the housemover, moved his residence Wednesday from corner of Hayes and Chicago to corner of Catlin and Ivanhoe streets, North St. Johns.

The evening will be Evangelistic, one of the ministers of the city will occupy the pulpit under the arrangement of the Union Evangelistic service of Portland.

St. Johns is certainly a hummer. It has been full of strangers this week besides a number of familiar faces were seen, among them ye editor of the New Age.

The building going on in the city is simply stupendous. If all the new improvements are noted it will require the united efforts of two first-class reporters and a boy.

"In medio tutissimus ibis," should be the motto of every voter of St. Johns on election day. It holds good in every vocation in the world, even in the filthy pool of party politics.

Services at the Evangelical Church next Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Morning subject, "Man's Failure to Obey Prevents Power." There will be also baptismal service.

Mr. Thompson, of Scappoose was in town this week desiring to purchase a horse. Mr. Thompson does not care what kind of a horse he buys, just so it is a good one and he cares nothing for the color, just so it is black.

Ladies! Relieve yourselves of the hardest task connected with housekeeping, by using the Universal bread mixer. We put them out on approval. Price \$2.00. POTTER & GOULD, next door to post office.

A young man was noticed on the street this week who had just sacrificed his mustache. A friend watched him yawn and then remarked, "Bill, I never noticed before that when your mouth is open your head is half off."

One of our prominent citizens of St. Johns was noticed today with his hand in a sling. Inquiry revealed the fact that he is not a candidate for office, and that nothing was the matter with his hand. "It is only a matter of precaution," he said. "I want to use my hand after election."

One of the most beautiful sights in St. Johns is a cherry tree in full bloom at Judge Green's yard. The tree in question is almost perfectly symmetrical, and reminds one of a huge snowball. The judge informs us that it is a Royal Ann seedling, and a most prolific bearer. It is nearly beautiful, and well worth a visit to see.

Since the political bees swarmed it is almost unsafe for one, especially a voter, to go upon the streets without an armed guard to protect him. Not that there is danger of being stung but the insects are so numerous and their buzzing apparatus is in such perfect working order that the noise almost deafens one.

A calf was noticed on the common during the week wearing a peculiar object on its nose. A closer inspection showed it to be a self-adjusting muzzle. When the calf raised its head as a calf must do to extract the lactical fluid from its mother's udder, the muzzle dropped over its mouth, and the milk was safe. When it wanted grass it dropped its nose on the ground, slid it backward and helped itself to the mustard.

Some weeks ago the council ordered that a dock be built at the foot of Richmond street, and appointed a committee with full power to act, whatever that may mean. Anyway, no dock has been built, or even commenced. It is claimed the cause of delay is that the plans and specifications are not yet ready. Be that as it may, the people want a dock, and the water front interests demand it. In fact, all interests demand wharf facilities, and it is certainly unfair that the matter should be further delayed.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Evangelical Church will hold a merchants' sale on March 30 and 31 in the corner room in the Cochran building. There will be goods from various business houses of Portland, St. Johns and Seattle, with their advertisements, with many added articles both fancy and useful made by the society, and during this sale lunches will be served through the day and dinner each evening commencing at 5:30 P. M. We bespeak for the ladies a good patronage.

We sell, rakes, hoes, garden shovels, and etc., for digging. POTTER & GOULD, next door to post office.

Mapleline can be had at St. Johns grocery. Telephone in your order. POTTER & GOULD are agents for the Elwood Woven Wire Fence, a very neat, strong and inexpensive fence.

J. H. Crook has returned from Los Angeles, Cal., and is glad to get back to his old stamping ground.

The St. Johns Meat Market has added a fine large chopping block, also stools for the accommodation of customers.

The greatest thing on earth for the money. A lantern that POTTER & GOULD are selling for 15 cents, next door to post office.

THE THIEF PROCRASTINATION

Gets in His Work on St. Johns' Council.

That "Procrastination is the thief of time" has again been verified and this time at the expense of the City of St. Johns.

The adage has been dinned into childhood's ears since Cain first told Eve to "wait a minute."

The council contracted with Joseph Engles for a piece of property on which it was intended to build a hall. Five days were allowed for accepting it. The members of the council intended to take it, the consideration being \$2000. However they let the time slip by without closing the deal.

After the expiration of the time Mr. Engles sold the property at an advance and now the present owners consider it worth about \$3000.

Thus a little delay, a little waiting and folding of the hands has snatched the city out of a desirable building site or has added \$1000 to the price if they wish to secure it.

Laurel Lodge 187, I. O. O. F.

One of the most interesting events in fraternal circles that has occurred in St. Johns for some time took place last Monday night, at Bickner hall, when Laurel Lodge No. 186, Independent Order Odd Fellows, was instituted with all the ceremony incident to such an occasion. About one hundred of the triple-linked fraternity were present from Portland, accompanied by Grand Secretary Sharon, and assisted in the ceremonies. The charter list contains the following members of the order resident in St. Johns: G. M. Hall, W. W. Hicks, Pascal Hill, M. J. Bailey, Cliff Thayer, C. A. Cook, A. M. Culp, M. F. Johnston.

The following officers were elected: Cliff Thayer, noble grand; Pascal Hill, vice grand; G. W. Overstreet, secretary; Dr. W. W. Hicks, treasurer.

Twenty-three candidates were initiated, the degree team from Orient Lodge conferring the degree in excellent shape. After the ceremonies hot coffee, sandwiches and cigars were served.

The new lodge starts out under the most favorable auspices, and there is little doubt but that it will soon rank among the strong lodges of this most excellent organization.

The next meeting of the Susan B. Anthony Suffrage Club will be held on Wednesday the 29th at 2:30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Frank Smith.

The last meeting was a great success and a good attendance is expected next Wednesday, as all interested are invited to attend.

Ladies' Improvement Club.

St. Johns Civic Improvement League met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Smith, with full attendance. The committee on unfinished business reported progress, and much good work under way. Under head of new business it was decided to organize a Juvenile League of St. Johns public school children. Communication was read from H. L. Powers, offering in behalf of the St. Johns Water Co., free water for use on the plot known as the Johns public school block, should the club decide to beautify and take care of this ground until such time as it should be needed for a public school building. This generous offer was much appreciated by the members, who hope to render this park a credit to the city, and a pretty recreation ground for our citizens, and visitors within our gates. The new members who took the initiation pledge were, Mesdames Jobs, Hall, Stuart and Miss Thorne. Mrs. Smith served dainty refreshments and the meeting adjourned to meet at Mrs. Belle Smith's, Tuesday, March 29.

Centennial Notes.

Work on the California building at the Lewis and Clark exposition is progressing rapidly, and the building will be completed by May first.

A model postoffice will be installed at the Lewis and Clark exposition. It will prove interesting as an exhibit, and useful in handling the immense amount of mail matter received at and sent out from exposition headquarters.

An interesting display at the Lewis and Clark exposition from the Navajo Indian reservation will show Indian blanket-weavers making the rugs that have made the Navajos famous.

THE BANQUET HALL

The First Annual Banquet of the Commercial Association a Success.

Eloquent Address by Distinguished Guests—Everybody Pleased.

The first annual banquet given under the auspices of the Commercial association last night, at the Central hotel, was an unqualified success. It was given to celebrate the wonderful growth and development of St. Johns during the last two years, and to create a greater feeling of good fellowship among those interested in the continued progress. In all respects the objects sought were fully realized. The good feeling inspired by this gathering is certain to bear fruit abundantly. The speeches made by the distinguished guests, Tom Richardson, of the Oregon Development League, H. M. Cake, president of the Portland Commercial club; Judge Webster, T. C. Devlin, H. L. Powers, W. M. Killingsworth, F. C. Knapp and others, were full of encouragement and wholesome counsel, and cannot do otherwise than have a good effect.

The banquet was prepared under the skillful direction of Mrs. L. Tyner, of the Central hotel, and was creditable not only to her, but to the city of St. Johns as well. The table was laden with good things, most tastefully arranged, and served in a manner most satisfactory.

Following is the menu.

- MENU.**
- Pacific Blue Points on Half Shell, with Horse Radish.
 - SOUP.
 - Clear Consomme, in cups.
 - RELISHES.
 - Crisp Celery Queen Olives Dill Pickles
 - ESTABLI.
 - Shoalwater Bay Oyster Patties
 - COLD MEATS.
 - Young Turkey Smoked Tongue
 - Star Ham
 - SALADS.
 - Barataria Shrimp with Mayonnaise
 - Potato with Mayonnaise
 - DESSERT.
 - Neapolitan Ice Cream
 - Fancy Assorted Cakes
 - FRUIT.
 - Apples Oranges Bananas
 - Black Coffee
 - Cigars Zinfandel Punch

Professor Comer's orchestra dispensed excellent music, and added much to the pleasure of the evening.

Beneath a large wreath of ferns and Oregon grape sat President A. S. Douglass. Along the well-laden tables, sat the fathers of St. Johns and their many friends, enjoying themselves as only the proud victors of untoward circumstances can. All were jubilant because St. Johns has risen from obscurity, and is now taking its place among the most important cities in the Pacific coast states.

In a few well spoken words, President A. S. Douglass welcomed the numerous guests, and told why the banquet was being held, and finished by offering a toast to President Roosevelt in whose most prosperous presidency the city of St. Johns has risen to undying fame.

J. C. Crome acted as toastmaster, and introduced the first speaker of the evening, Tom Richardson.

Mr. Richardson's toast—"Oregon—Its development," was a veritable treat, and his enthusiasm about St. Johns was so enthralling that every word was received with marked appreciation. His calling of Oregon, and particularly St. Johns, as God's country, was the finest tribute to our splendid state that could be uttered in the assembly. "California, Colorado, Texas, Alaska have had the eyes of all centered upon them, but now the United States has heard of Oregon, and in that state St. Johns is attracting world-wide attention."

Mr. Killingsworth's talk, "The Peninsula—Its Commercial Future" was apropos and bespoke the speaker's foresight in selecting the Peninsula as his home. "Build your town on the hills if you wish to make the river front a commercial center on the Pacific coast; leave the river front for industrial homes if you desire to have a model city," was the positive sentence of Mr. Killingsworth's toast.

In a voice filled with emotion Mr. Monahan told us of the city's great benefactors, P. T. Smith and James Johns, and the latter's counsel to the speaker on the purchase of a lot across the river, let great light upon the founder's great foresight.

"St. Johns—Its Present and future," by H. L. Powers, was full of reminiscences and brightest hopes for the city of St. Johns. "God makes the country, but the people make the city," said the speaker, and again "five years ago had I told the residents of St. Johns that in a few years sixty representative business men would be gathered to commemorate its rise to the summit of citydom, they would have said I was crazy. But this assembly tonight is only a forerunner of what may be expected in the next few years. Instead of 2500 population as today, one year hence it will be 5000."

"Where Rolls the Oregon," by H. M. Cake, president of the Portland Commercial club, was a most eloquent tribute to the industries, the people and the magnificent natural beauties of the garden state of the Pacific. His reference to those who can see nothing beautiful in

the state, the "knocker," was the best thing heard during the evening.

Mr. Devlin's toast, "Civic Government," was an eloquent tribute to those men who have built up a new industrial center in the Peninsula. "In the coming fair when three million people shall behold our beauties and possibilities, they will be only too eager to make the golden Northwest their homes, where storms and snows are not known."

Judge Webster entertained the audience by telling them that the county would soon be out of debt. His plea for mutual support was a most excellent tonic for city improvement. "It is not people alone that we want, but self-supporting, energetic, self-sacrificing citizens are the bulwark of any city's growth." The judge's reason why Multnomah's highways are not the best, was clear and bespoke his wisdom in having the wherewithal to do things first, before doing things, rather than the contrary. His announcement of bettering the county road was vociferously applauded, and his views on putting a ferry in at St. Johns met the hearty approval of the listeners. The speech was one of the features of the evening. The judge's plans on the betterment of the county and St. Johns were received with the heartiest approval by all.

F. C. Knapp, of the Peninsula Lumber Company, talked on the "Industrial development of St. Johns" and told how the company of which he is a member located here, and his statement that Portland is going to be one of the grandest cities in the states but reiterated the views of all in attendance.

Prof. Long's address on "Educational Institutions" was short and apropos and his plea for a good school at St. Johns met the hearty approval of the assembly. "Unity and Harmony," by E. C. Hurlburt, was a fine resume of

the evening's sentiments voiced by the many speakers of the evening.

"Our Absent Friends—The Ladies," by W. H. King and Dr. W. W. Hicks, was a rare act of humor. Early in the morning the banqueters made the halls of St. Johns reverberate with three cheers for St. Johns, led by H. M. Cake, and the strains of "Auld Lang Syne" closed one of the most important events in the history of St. Johns.

The Review has its preference among the candidates at the coming election but it does not intend to make a fight for, nor against any special ones. All it wants is to see fair play and it hopes, as do all the best citizens of St. Johns, that the best man may win.

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